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SOCIAL CORNER POEM.

The Three Best Things.
Let me do my work from day to day:
In field or forest, at the desk or loom;
In rising market-place or tranquil room,
Let me find it in my heart to say,
When I am weary, "My blessing, not my doom;
Of all who live, I am the one by whom
This work can best be done, in the right way."

Then shall I see it, not too great, nor small,
To suit my spirit and to prove my power;
Then shall I, cheerful, greet the laboring hours,
And cheerfulness turn when the long shadows fall
At evening, to play and love and rest,
Because I know for me my work is best.

Let me but live my life from year to year,
With forward face and unreluctant soul,
Not hastening to, nor turning from the goal,
Not mourning for the things that disappear,
In the dim past, nor holding back in fear,
From what the future veils, but with a whole
And happy heart, that pays its toll
To Youth and Age, and travels on with cheer.

So let the way wind up the hill or down,
Through rough or smooth, the journey will be joy;
Still seeking what I sought when but a boy,
New friendship, glad adventure, and a crown;
I shall grow old, but never lose life's zest,
Because the road's last turn will be the best.

Let me but love my love without disguise,
Nor wear a mask of fashion old or new,
Nor wait to speak till I can hear a clue,
Nor play a part to shine in other's eyes,
Nor bow my knee to what my heart denies;
But what I am, to that let me be true,
And let me worship where my love is due,
And so through love and worship let me rise.

For love is but the heart's immortal thirst,
To be completely known and all forgiven,
Even as sinful souls that come to Heaven;
So take me, love, and understand my worth,
And pardon it, or love, because confessed,
And let me find in thee, my love, my best.
—Henry Van Dyke, in Outlook.

TIMELY RECIPES.

Dear Sisters of the Social Corner: Some of you may find these recipes worth adding to your collection.

Rhubarb Cream Pie:—Two cups of rhubarb, one cup of sugar, yolks of two eggs, beaten, two tablespoons of flour and a pinch of salt. Mix well and pour into a rich crust. Bake slowly until thick. Beat the whites of the eggs to a stiff froth, spread over the pie and return to the oven to brown. Bake carefully not to burn.

Creamed Spinach:—Wash thoroughly a half peck of spinach, boil in salted water, drain and chop. Put in a frying pan one tablespoon of lard, two slices of bacon cut in dice, three tablespoons of flour and one chopped onion. When fried to a light brown add a little boiling water and the spinach, salt and pepper to taste, boil well together, then add a half cup of fresh milk. Boil up and serve.

Mixed Lamb:—Mince the lamb not too fine, add salt, pepper, a drop or so of onion juice. Put in a whole system need a tonic. A tonic and health builder to drive out the waste matter—build you up and renew your strength. Nothing better than Electric Bitter. Start today. Mrs. James Duncan, Haynesville, Me., writes: "Completely cured me after several doctors gave me up." 50c and \$1. at your druggist. Bucklen's Arnica Salve for cuts.

Cures Stubborn, Itchy Skin Troubles:—"I could scratch myself to pieces," is often heard from sufferers of eczema, tetter, itch and similar skin eruptions. Don't scratch—stop the itching at once with Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Its first application starts healing; the red, rough, scaly, itching skin is soothed by the healing and cooling medicines. Mrs. C. A. Binfield, Rock Island, Ill., after using Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment, writes: "This is the first time in nine years I have been free from the dreadful ailment." Guaranteed. 50c at your druggist.

and put on plates, pour salad dressing over and transfer your pond lilies, one to a plate.

Club Salad:—One orange, one apple, one half a grapefruit, a cup of pineapple, a cup of white grapes, one banana, a half cup of chopped celery. Cut the apple, pineapple and banana in pieces of the same size; shred the orange and grapefruit, freeing the pulp from membrane; cut the grapes in halves and remove the seeds. Make a dressing of a fourth of a cup of olive oil, the juice of one lemon, a teaspoon of sugar, a teaspoon of salt and a half teaspoon of paprika. Stir into the fruit and let stand for an hour. Drain and arrange on lettuce with a half cup of boiled raisins and mayonnaise.

PAULINE.

GRADUATION PARTIES.

Dear Sisters of the Social Corner: Now the graduation days are fast approaching, some of you may be contemplating a graduation party for your daughters, though the knowledge of how others have done may be a help to you.

In a case where the class colors were yellow and white, the following plan was made for the table when refreshments were served:

Place a basket of yellow and white flowers on the table, wherever they will be most effective. Serve yellow and white cake and it is easy to buy both of the two tones. The cake may be made like a marble loaf, dividing the ingredients, either the yolks in one-half and the whites in the other; or it can be made in layers. Or you could serve both sunshine cake, or angel's food, or any other pure white cake. Flavors are not necessary at an evening party, but if you wish you can buy tiny flowers, either yellow or white, and tie with the club colors.

Realizing how the inexperienced are plagued to plan for these special festivities, I thought a suggestion might be of assistance to some of our Social Corner readers.

A MOTHER.

THINGS THAT TELL FOR HEALTH.

Dear Sisters of the Social Corner: I am sending in a report on some of you may find to be useful:

Health Bread:—Pour over one cup of rolled oats three cups of boiling water, add one-half cup of molasses, one tablespoon lard, one dessertspoon salt. Let cool and add yeast dissolved in cold water. Add flour until it can be kneaded. Bake one hour and ten minutes.

Rye Pancakes:—One cup of sour milk, three-eighths cup molasses, one teaspoon soda, one tablespoon butter, salt, cinnamon and nutmeg, two scant cups each of rye and white flour, two eggs well beaten. This is a simple and pretty recipe. Spoon batter as large as an English walnut and fry in lard, fresh lard kept for fried croquettes, to be eaten with your favorite sauce.

To Prepare Prunes and Senna:—After thoroughly washing let the fruit soak in clear, cold water, just covered, several hours. Then, in the meantime, prepare senna tea. Bring about two tablespoons of the fruit to the prunes, which are covered by a few drops of water. Put in a saucepan and let it simmer in water over a slow fire until the tea is sufficiently strong, then strain and add to the prunes. Cook as usual. A better flavor is obtained by cooking two or three whole cloves with the fruit. My prunes are cooked in a saucepan of water, and over a slow fire will do as well. Sweeten slightly when tender. Prunes were first prepared by the Indians, who are credited in no other way in many hospitals. There is no flavor or taste of senna.

SALLY THOMAS.

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW.

Dear Cornerites: Here are a few useful hints that may be helpful to many.

To Insert Screws in Plaster: Screws may be inserted in plaster to hold pictures firmly, as follows: Enlarge the hole about twice the diameter of the screw. Fill it with plaster of Paris and bed the screw into it while soft. When the plaster sets the screw will be fast.

Smoked Ceilings: Clean ceilings smoked with kerosene lamps by washing with soda water.

To Drive Moths Away: Cloves, caraway seed, nutmeg, mace, cinnamon, and tannin beaten to a fine powder, six ounces Florentine eris root, or much as equals all the other ingredients, together. Grind the whole well to a powder and put in little bags among your clothes. It is a lovely perfume and a sure preventative to moths.

Whitewash that Will Not Rub Off: Make your whitewash of lime and water in the ordinary way, then take one fourth pint of flour and mix with a little cold water. Stir into the whitewash, stir while hot into the whitewash. Stir together and it is ready for use.

Grease Spots: Remove by applying soft dissolved in alcohol.

To Measure Corn in Crib: Take the inside measure of the crib in feet, multiply length, breadth and depth together and divide the product by two. If the crib is full of dry, sound ears the result will be bushels of shelled corn.

Grain, Apples, Potatoes, Etc., in a Bin: Find the cubic feet in the bin and take four fifths of it. The result will be bushels, near enough for practical purposes.

To Measure Hay in the Mow: Allow five hundred and twelve cubic feet for a ton, if the hay is properly cured and carefully stacked.

To Remove Mildew: Mix soft soap and salt until moderately thick, wet the goods and spread this mixture over their common face. Scrub with pepper, pulverized, one teaspoon to one quart of water.

To Check a Horse From Interfering: If your horse interferes forward, it is

practically a hopeless proposition: if behind, lower the outside of the foot; place the toe oak well around the hoof, and if that does not do, roll him on the inside with a shoe that will throw the ankle out and allow him to get by with the other foot. This plan generally is effective with the kind that toe out and strike the opposite leg with the heel. Horses that stand differently, with hocks wide apart and feet close together, have sometimes to be shod in the opposite way. Always put the breaching as high as possible on horses that strike themselves. They generally do it going downhill, and a low breaching brings their quarters together.

The best cure for interfering is to get them fat and strong, and the fuller they become in the quarters the less liable they will be to hit themselves.

Shoe horses with weak ankles be hind, and healed calks.

If you own a pacer that cross fires that is, strikes the right hind foot with the opposite hind foot and vice versa, try lowering the inside of the hind feet, which will tend to straighten the line after the horse leaves the ground. Pacers may be balanced with much shorter toes forward than trotters.

CRIMSON RAMBLER.

THE SOCIAL CORNER PIN.

Editor Social Corner: I send you a few more lines in regard to the Social Corner Pin.

I agree with J. A. R.: Of course, those who are always in the way of a pin are not compelled to do so, although the rest may wish to do the opposite.

One spoke of it, as looking too much like a "secret society." The Christian Endeavor society is by no means a secret one and all are proud to wear a C. E. pin. Why are we any less ashamed of wearing a Social Corner pin?

Another member said we were liable to be criticized as "knowing too much" and would be surprised to see us wearing the pin.

Why should we think of such a thing as others talking against us, if we did not harbor the same feelings toward them. Surely we cannot expect a good word if we do not give one first. Let us remember the words "Judge not, lest you be judged."

Doctor: I think you will hear from me if I write many more letters as long as this one. I can never remember a whole sick day since I was very, very small. Quite a record. Can you beat it?

Nat: Are you still naif on your hog pen?

Papa's Boy: Where is your auto? Have you sold it or is it receiving a new coat of paint?

Biddy: How are you? Hope to see you again this year at the fair.

Feeg: Ann: "How is Peggy?" I am afraid you will be tired of answering that question.

BLACK BEAUTY.

HOW TO TRAP RATS.

Dear Editor and Cornerites: The Social Corner always contains something new and interesting.

To think happiness makes for selfishness is treason to the truth, and is the greatest evil of the age. When it is absent it is hard to keep the other good things of life in order. Cleanliness, order, the mild blight the best things in life.

Betsy Bobbitt: I've a bit of your oddity. The yellow bow when daintily arranged in a bun, is a very nice emblem which pleases me. If the majority want a pin I shall not protest.

Jim: Have you ever tried this? Cut or break a hole in a glass jar, put food inside and bury the jar so the hole comes level with the surface. Put a tablecloth over it and get in the smooth sides of the jar prevents his getting out.

I hope all the sick ones will be able to get out in the pure air. Nothing is better for invalids.

I close with a good wish for all Cornerites.

FRANK.

SNOWBALL HEARD FROM.

Dear Editor and Social Corner Sisters: How are you all these fine spring days? It is quite a long time since I have written, but I haven't lost interest in the Social Corner.

Merry Farmer: How are you feeling? Would be pleased to receive that card any time. I suppose the crows have put all your corn by this time.

Crimson Rambler: I haven't quite melted yet. Have been looking for you to come down, but suppose you are busy bowler cleaning. We aren't through yet.

Aunt Abby: I don't think I know who you are, I guess you have found me. Please give me a clue as to who you are. Will send you a card soon.

A. K.: I think a Social Corner pin would be a fine idea. Let us hear from the other sisters and see what they think about it.

Rural Delivery: I suppose you have got your corn all planted. Are those sweet peas in bloom yet?

Faithful Bird: "Where are you? Why don't you write?" Are your flowers in bloom yet? How is "F." getting along?

Nat: Where are you? Do these pins take up all your time? Because you haven't any idea what time it is. With best wishes to all from

Norwich.

SNOWBALL.

GOOD THINGS TO KNOW.

Dear Sisters of the Social Corner: What a lot of things there are it does for a woman to know, and it is so much fun to find out. The house adds constantly to his store of knowledge.

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"What shall we have for dinner?" asked Mrs. DeBate of her husband.

"Good heavens!" groaned DeBate, "never ask a man what he wants for dinner immediately after luncheon. I don't feel now that I want anything at all for dinner, but in a few minutes if you were to ask me no doubt I could enumerate various things of which I might like to partake."

"Let me tell you that when a man is hungry he puts an abnormal value on grub, and when he is full he has a soul above it."

"For this reason it seems to me that people who live in adjoining apartments or are very near neighbors, should have their cooking preparations as they go forward are perceptible to one another, should arrange to do their cooking simultaneously."

"For instance, those people next door to us! The other day they began getting their dinner ready an hour ahead of us, but as I watched the process I almost fainted with hunger."

"They came out on the porch opposite our porch where I sat and they shelled peas and an hour before dinner. They scraped new potatoes. Nothing looks better to a man making a broad pudding, the next door neighbor came out and proceeded to churn an ice cream freezer around."

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Now, in regard to our pin I am with others in the back seat. I do not approve of it.

How are you Aunt No. 1? I often try your cookies. They are always nice.

Dear Faye Verna: Sorry you are sick. You speak of having a lot of sweet peas. So have I; also, some Parsnips, Asparagus, and Potatoes, that I raised from seed. They look fine now out in my garden.

The cold winter finished my house plants, leaving me with only one Geranium, Ferns and Cactus.

Wonder if some Sister would kindly tell me if I should transplant my Fern Plume? Nanius, also just how to treat it.

My Calla and Ferns are doing fine in the house. Am I right in putting my ferns out doors. Will thank any Sister for telling me.

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seems to me a simple bow of ribbon would be sufficient. It should be inexpensive, something within the reach of all, always worn, and the little bow of white ribbon worn by the W. C. T. U. modestly expressing their sentiment.

Will close by sending a recipe we like very much.

Sally's Cake—Cover 1 1/2 cups of raisins with boiling water, simmer 20 minutes, drain, add 1/2 cup of sugar, 1/2 cup butter and one well beaten egg. Mix well, add 1/2 cup of the raisin water, 1 teaspoon each of cinnamon and nutmeg, 1/2 cup of the raisin water, add the cooked raisins well mixed with flour. Bake in a loaf 1 1/2 hour or in pans 1 hour. A Remedy for Aunts which has never failed me. Tartar emetic mixed with sugar and sprinkled where they run, or put in douches with sweetened water will surely discourage them. It must be remembered this is poisonous, and kept from children. Five cents worth will be sufficient.

AUNT JUDY.

CLOTHES FOR THE BABY BOY.

Dear Social Corner Sisters:—There may be young mothers among you who are puzzled as to the dress to prepare for the baby boy.

Beginning at birth, a baby boy wears blue when a touch of color is desired. Girls are given pink.

During babyhood a boy's clothes do not differ greatly from his sister's in regard to material and model, but less trimming, or rather, plainer decoration is evident. For instance, tucks and feather stitching will take place of lace and embroidery.

As soon as a boy walks he is put into a one piece dress on the romper order. The material may be gingham or chambray, linen or pique. The latter is more expensive, but the latter is a flat finish and the leg part is in knicker style gathered in so as to allow plenty of fullness, which these active little boys will need for comfort in taking exercise.

The best dresses are embroidered with blue or white, or a conventional design, or rather, plainer, either white or a fast color. Since boys' clothes need rather vigorous laundering with butters (another waist fashion) around the waist to correspond with buttonholes worked at the top of the trousers, the dress should be made of a material that will stand up to this treatment. The suit can be of one color, but a white blouse and dark blue trousers make a small boy look very cunning.

This dress has taken the place of the Russian blouse model as a romp around suit. It is comfortable, and the Russian blouse is worn for best at this age.

At 6 or 7 comes the sailor suit pattern, which is a very good one, with the straight, kindergarten cloth, good gingham, linen and duck are excellent wear resisting fabrics for sailor suits.

When a boy is ten he begins to wear boys' clothes as he calls them. The plump child should be given a Norfolk suit in a day to show his mother does not want him to show every pound of his weight. Single breasted coats will be better for him than double coats.

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